

In the Claims:

1. **(currently amended)** A multiplier-divider circuit for a PFC controller, comprising:

a first multiplier-input terminal, for accepting a first multiplier signal;

a second multiplier-input terminal, for accepting a second multiplier signal;

a divisor-input terminal, for accepting a divisor-signal;

a constant current source, for providing a constant current;

a pulse generator, for generating a pulse-signal, an inversed pulse-signal, a sawtooth-signal, a sample-signal and a clear-signal;

a first multiplier-divider stage, having a first input, a second input ~~and~~, a third input and an output, wherein said first input of said first multiplier-divider stage is connected to said first multiplier-input terminal, said second input of said first multiplier-divider stage is connected to said constant current source, and said third input of said first multiplier-divider stage ~~is connected~~ coupled to said ~~divisor-input terminal~~ divisor signal;

a second multiplier-divider stage, having a first input, a second input ~~and~~, a third input and an output, wherein said first input of said second multiplier-divider stage is connected to ~~an~~ said output of said first multiplier-divider stage, said second input of said second multiplier-divider stage is connected to said second multiplier-input terminal, and said third input of said second multiplier-divider stage ~~is connected~~ coupled to said ~~divisor-input terminal~~ divisor signal; and

an output terminal, connected to ~~an~~ said output of said second multiplier-divider stage.

2. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 1,

wherein ~~the~~ a magnitude of an output signal of ~~the~~ said first multiplier-divider stage is substantially proportional to ~~the~~ a product of ~~the~~ a magnitude of said first multiplier-signal and ~~the~~ a magnitude of said constant current.

3. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ said magnitude of said output signal of said first multiplier-divider stage is inversely proportional to ~~the~~ a magnitude of ~~the~~ said divisor-signal.

4. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ a magnitude of an output signal of said second multiplier-divider stage is substantially proportional to ~~the~~ a product of ~~the~~ said magnitude of said first multiplier-signal, ~~the~~ a magnitude of said second multiplier signal, and ~~the~~ said magnitude of said constant current.

5. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ a magnitude of said output signal of ~~the~~ said second multiplier-divider stage is inversely proportional to ~~the~~ a square of ~~the~~ said magnitude of said divisor-signal.

6. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 1, wherein said pulse generator comprises:

a pulse-signal output terminal;

a sawtooth-signal generator;

an inversed pulse-signal output terminal;

a sample-signal output terminal;

a clear-signal output terminal;

a pulse-generator current source, having an input connected to a voltage source;

a pulse-generator current sink, having an output connected to a ground reference;

a pulse generator junction;

a first pulse generator switch, connected between an output of the pulse generator current source and said pulse generator junction;

a second pulse generator switch, connected between said pulse generator junction and an input of said pulse generator current sink; and

a control circuit, for controlling the said first pulse generator switches and said second pulse generator switch.

7. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 6, wherein said control circuit ~~for the pulse generator switches~~ comprises:

a hysteresis comparator, having an input connected to said pulse generator junction;

a pulse-generator capacitor, connected between said input of said hysteresis comparator and ~~the~~ said ground reference;

a first array of two NOT-gates, having an input connected to an output of said hysteresis comparator;

a pulse-generator comparator, having a positive input connected to an output of the sawtooth-signal generator, said pulse generator comparator having a negative input supplied with a reference voltage;

a second array of two NOT-gates, having an input connected to an output of said pulse-generator comparator;

a latch circuit, consisting of a first NAND-gate and a second NAND-gate, said latch circuit having a first input connected to an output of said first array of two NOT-gates, said latch circuit having a second input connected to an output of said second array of two NOT-gates, said latch circuit having an output for supplying a control signal to said second

pulse-generator switch; and

a first pulse-generator NOT-gate, for supplying a another control signal to the said first pulse-generator switch, said first pulse-generator NOT-gate having an input connected to said output of said latch circuit.

8. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 7, wherein the control circuit ~~for the pulse-generator switches~~ further comprises:

a first array of three NOT-gates, having an input connected to said output of the latch circuit;

a first pulse-generator AND-gate, having an input, an inverted input, an output, wherein said input of said first pulse-generator AND-gate is connected to an output of said first array of three NOT-gates, said inverted input of said first pulse-generator AND-gate is connected to said output of ~~the~~ said latch circuit, and said output of said first pulse-generator AND-gate is connected to said sample-signal output terminal;

a second array of three NOT-gates, having an input connected to said first input of said latch circuit;

a second pulse-generator AND-gate, having an input, an inverted input and an output, wherein said input of said second pulse-generator AND-gate is connected to an output of said second array of three NOT-gates, said inverted input of said second pulse-generator AND-gate is connected to said first input of ~~the~~ said latch circuit, and said output of said second pulse-generator AND-gate is connected to said clear-signal output terminal of ~~the~~ said pulse generator.

a third NAND-gate, having a first input, a second input and an output, wherein said first input of said third NAND-gate is connected to said output of said latch circuit, said second input of said third NAND-gate is connected to said first input of said latch circuit, and

said output of said third NAND-gate is connected said pulse-signal output terminal; and

a second pulse-generator NOT-gate, for supplying an said inversed inverse pulse-signal, said second pulse generator NOT-gate having an input connected to said output of ~~the~~ said third NAND-gate.

9. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 6, wherein the sawtooth-signal generator comprises:

a sawtooth-signal output terminal, for outputting a said sawtooth-signal;

a sawtooth capacitor, connected between said sawtooth-signal output terminal and ~~the~~ said ground reference;

a sawtooth current sink, for discharging said sawtooth capacitor, said sawtooth current sink having an output connected to ~~the~~ said ground reference;

a sawtooth discharge switch, connected between said sawtooth-signal output terminal and an input of said sawtooth current sink, said sawtooth discharge switch having a control terminal supplied with said inversed pulse-signal; and

a sawtooth charging switch, connected between said divisor-input terminal and said sawtooth-signal output terminal, said sawtooth charging switch having a control terminal supplied with said pulse-signal.

10. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 9, wherein ~~the~~ said sawtooth current sink comprises:

a sawtooth transistor, for producing a variable discharge current, said sawtooth transistor having a drain connected to said sawtooth-signal output terminal via said sawtooth discharge switch;

a sawtooth operation amplifier, for driving said sawtooth transistor, said sawtooth operation amplifier having a negative input connected to a source of said sawtooth

transistor, and a positive input connected to ~~the~~ said divisor-input terminal; and

a sawtooth resistor, connected between said source of said sawtooth transistor and ~~the~~ said ground reference.

11. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 9, wherein ~~the~~ a length of a charge time and ~~the~~ a length of a discharge time of said sawtooth capacitor are independent of ~~the~~ said magnitude of ~~the~~ said divisor input signal.

12. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 9, wherein ~~the~~ a peak value of the sawtooth-signal is proportional to ~~the~~ said the magnitude of said divisor-input signal.

13. **(original)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 1, wherein said first multiplier-divider stage comprises:

a first charge-time control circuit, for generating a first charge-time signal;

a first linear charging block, for generating a first charging signal; and

a first sample-and-hold circuit, for producing an first output signal.

14. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 13, wherein said first charge-time control circuit of said first multiplier-divider stage comprises:

a first charge-time comparator, for supplying a first initial signal, said first charge-time comparator having a positive input connected to said first multiplier-input terminal, and a negative input supplied with said sawtooth-signal; and

a first AND-gate, for generating said first charge-time signal, said first AND-gate having a first input supplied with said inverse pulse-signal, and a second input connected to an output of said first charge-time comparator.

15. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 13, wherein said first linear charging block of the first multiplier-divider stage comprises:

a first charge-output terminal, for supplying said first charging signal;

a first charge capacitor, for generating said first charging signal, said first charge capacitor being connected between said output terminal and ~~the~~ said ground reference;

a first charge switch, for controlling ~~the~~ a charge-time of said first charge capacitor, said first charge switch being connected between said constant current source and said first charge-output terminal, wherein said first charge switch comprises an control terminal controlled by said first charge-time control circuit; and

a first discharge switch, for discharging said first charge capacitor, said discharge switch being connected between said first charge-output terminal and ~~the~~ said ground reference, said discharge switch having a control terminal controlled by said clear-signal, wherein ~~the~~ a state of said first multiplier-divider stage is reset in response to said clear-signal.

16. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 13, wherein said first sample-and-hold circuit of said first multiplier-divider stage comprises:

a first sample-and-hold operation amplifier, for buffering said first charging signal, said first sample-and-hold operation amplifier having a positive input supplied with said first charging signal, and a negative input connected to an output of first said sample-and-hold operation amplifier;

a first sample-and-hold switch, for sampling said first charging signal, said first sample-and-hold switch being connected between ~~an~~ said output of said first sample-and-hold operation amplifier and said output of said first multiplier-divider stage; and

a first sample-and-hold capacitor, for holding said output signal of said first multiplier-divider stage, said first sample-and-hold capacitor being connected between the output terminal of said first multiplier-divider stage and ~~the~~ said ground reference.

17. **(original)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 1, wherein said

second multiplier-divider stage comprises:

- a second charge-time control circuit, for generating a second charge-time signal;
- a second linear charging block, for generating a second charging signal; and
- a second sample-and-hold circuit, for producing an second output signal.

18. **(original)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 17, wherein said second charge-time control circuit of said second multiplier-divider stage comprises:

- a second charge-time comparator, for supplying a second initial signal, said second charge-time comparator having a positive input connected to said output terminal of said first multiplier-divider stage, and a negative input supplied with said sawtooth-signal; and
- a second AND-gate, for generating said second charge-time signal, said second AND-gate having a second input supplied with said inverse pulse-signal, and a second input connected to an output of said charge-time comparator.

19. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 17, wherein said second linear charging block of ~~the~~ said second multiplier-divider stage comprises:

- a second charge-output terminal, for supplying said second charging signal;
- a second charge capacitor, for generating said second charging signal, said second charge capacitor being connected between said output terminal and ~~the~~ said ground reference;
- a second charge switch, for controlling ~~the~~ a charge-time of said charge capacitor, said charge switch being connected between said second multiplier-input terminal and said second charge-output terminal, said second charge switch having ~~an~~ a control terminal controlled by said second charge-time control circuit; and
- a second discharge switch, for discharging said second charge capacitor, said

discharge switch being connected between said second charge-output terminal and ~~the~~ said ground reference, said discharge switch having a control terminal controlled by said clear-signal, wherein ~~the~~ a state of said second multiplier-divider stage is reset in response to said clear-signal.

20. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 17, wherein said second sample-and-hold circuit of said second multiplier-divider stage comprises:

a second sample-and-hold operation amplifier, for buffering said second charging signal, said second sample-and-hold operation amplifier having a positive input supplied with said second charging signal and a negative input connected to an output of second said sample-and-hold operation amplifier;

a second sample-and-hold switch, for sampling said second charging signal, said second sample-and-hold switch being connected between ~~an~~ said output of said second sample-and-hold operation amplifier and said output of said second multiplier-divider stage; and

a second sample-and-hold capacitor, for holding said output signal of said multiplier-divider, said second sample-and-hold capacitor being connected between the output terminal of said second multiplier-divider stage and ~~the~~ said ground reference.

21. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 1, wherein the length of said first charge-time of said first multiplier-divider stage is proportional to the magnitude of said first multiplier-signal divided by the magnitude of the divisor-signal $[\frac{\cdot}{\cdot}]$.

22. **(currently amended)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ a length of said second charge-time of said second multiplier-divider stage is proportional to ~~the~~ said magnitude of said second multiplier-signal divided by ~~the~~ said

magnitude of said divisor-signal;

23. **(original)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 1, wherein said sample-signal is generated in response to said pulse-signal, following a delay time, wherein said clear-signal is generated in response to said sample-signal following a delay time.

24. **(original)** The multiplier-divider circuit according to claim 1, wherein said multiplier-divider circuit is built from CMOS MOSFET-based devices.